## Ken Widelski

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Ken Widelski has served as an Emergency Response Meteorologist at the National Weather Service Forecast Office in Sterling, Virginia since January 2012. In this role, Ken serves as the official NWS Liaison to the Emergency Management Community within the state of Maryland and the National Capital Region. He focuses his attention on delivering hazardous weather information to core customers, deploying onsite to Emergency Operation Centers during major weather events, and educating core customers on hazardous weather impacts. Ken also serves as an expert subject matter on extreme weather preparedness and response.

Ken has worked for the NWS for nearly 15 years and has experience in 5 different NWS Forecast offices spanning four states. He has also led weather decision support services onsite during Hurricane Ike, BP Oil Disaster, 138<sup>th</sup> and 139<sup>th</sup> Baltimore Preakness, Hurricane Sandy, 2015 Gubernatorial Inauguration, 57<sup>th</sup> Inauguration of the President of the United States, Democratic National Convention, War of 1812 Star Spangled Sailabration and Spectacular, and various other events.

Ken graduated from the State University of New York at Stony Brook in 2001 with a B.S in Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences with double minor concentrations in Environmental and Marine Sciences. He currently resides in Northern Virginia with his wife Naomi.